

**Huntingburg Park Board**

**Monday, March 28, 2016**

**Park Board Members Present: Mike Fulkerson, Mark Peters, Mande Keusch, Jose Gil**

**City Employees Present: Larry Altstadt**

I. Approval of Claims: Jose made a motion to approve all claims. Mande seconded. Board approved 4-0.

II. Approval of Minutes: Mike made a motion to change the minutes from the February 16<sup>th</sup> meeting. On the adjournment it listed as Mande making the motion and seconding the motion. The minutes were changed to Mike seconding the motion. Mande made a motion to approve the minutes with this change. Mike seconded. Board approved 4-0.

III. Director's Report:

A. The senior citizen's trip to Alaska will be May 14-21.

B. Employees: The mowing crew was rehired. Currently there are two part-time mowers. One of the part-time mowers did not return. Larry is working on finalizing details with Mayor Spinner on hiring a full-time Park Maintenance/Event Coordinator instead of adding another part-time employee. The Job Description was provided to the Board members. This new position will help mow and maintain the grounds as well as eventually take over maintaining the Market Street Park when it is completed and help market and schedule events at that park. They will be ready for interviewing and hiring for the position next month.

C. City Park:

1. The shelter house rental for the off-season has been implemented. The rentals are all a flat fee and there is no deposit and no-refund on deposits given any longer.
2. Tree trimming continues
3. Pool: The railing on the steps going to the slide needs to be replaced. Larry tried to see if it could be repaired but there is nothing to weld it to. He received an estimate from Style Fab for \$8,000-\$9,000 as well as an aluminum one from Erny Sheet Metal for around \$12,000-\$13,000. If the railing is not replaced with an aluminum one then it will need to be repainted eventually which is another maintenance cost. Estimate details are forth coming.
4. The Wi-Fi installation for the pool and maintenance building has been completed but the signal is still pretty weak. Larry will look into possible options to increase signal strength. He will also look into buying the pool manager a laptop to use for scheduling and to track pool usage. This can be done on a Google Spreadsheet which Larry would be able to access as well.
5. Playground upgrade: Curbing for the Tot playground will be installed in August so it can be resurfaced with rubber mats. Larry will check with Schroering's for an estimate.
6. League Stadium Wall: Larry suggested adding a 100' green section to the centerfield wall for the batter's eye and to try and keep some of the current aesthetic of the stadium. "League Stadium" would be imprinted in this section in 4' lettering. The Board agreed with this suggestion. Mande discussed needing to get new foul poles that are taller. Larry will check on pricing for new poles.

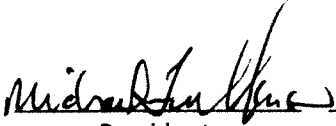


D. Work Projects:

1. A rotten 30' post in League Stadium was repaired with a 12' treated section by Cooper Rail
2. The concrete work in League Stadium should be finished in the next couple of weeks.
3. Niehaus Park: Mowing has started and the range was opened this past weekend due to the warm weather. The range brought in around \$180 for the weekend.

4. Southside Park: Trees were trimmed and the baseball field is ready for play.
5. Market Street: Larry discussed how they are expecting work to start on Market Street sometime in 2017. The Parks Department will eventually take over maintenance of that park.
6. The new mower (SCAG) has been delivered and is in use.
7. Baseball/Softball Contracts need to be signed. They were approved at the last Board meeting but were not signed. Mike and Mande signed all contracts.
8. Copies of the monthly report were given.

IV. Questions: There were no questions from the Board.

V. Adjournment: Mande made a motion to adjourn. Jose seconded. Board approved 4-0. Meeting ended at 6:13.

			
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